TEAM DelTA

A technology-based
Economic Development Alliance
in the Mississippi River Delta

REGIONAL EMPOWERMENT, ECONOMIC GROWTH:
Accessing Technology in the Delta Region

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January 25-26, 2001
Vicksburg Convention Center ■ Vicksburg, MS

Program Agenda

Thursday, January 25

3:30 PM — **Registration Open**

4:00 – 5:00 PM — **Opening Remarks & Keynote Address**
Jim Clinton, Executive Director
Southern Growth Policies Board

Anita Balachandra, EPSCoT Director
U.S. Department of Commerce

5:00 – 5:30 PM — **Turning Communities Toward Technology**
Dr. John Ahlen, President
Arkansas Science & Technology Authority

5:30 – 7:00 PM — **Reception In exhibit area** (cash bar)

Friday, January 26

7:00 – 8:00 AM — **Registration Open/Continental Breakfast**

8:00 – 8:15 AM — **Welcome & Introduction to Program**
Dr. Angeline Godwin Dvorak, President & CEO
Mississippi Technology, Inc./Institute of Technology Development, Inc.

Monica Moman-Saunders, Chair, Board on Minorities & Women
ASME International

8:15 – 9:30 AM — **Best Practices: Workforce Readiness**

Moderator: Lynn McGee, Program Manager, Foundation for the Mid South

Panelists: Tim Stephenson, Founder & Director, EAST Program
Scott Cox, Industrial Coordinator, Louisiana Technical College
David Boliek, CEO, ExplorNet

9:30 – 9:45 AM — **Break**

9:45 – 11:00 AM	**Best Practices: Bridging the "Digital Divide"**

Moderator: Monieca West, Director, Economic Development, Southwestern Bell

Panelists: Mike Stagg, Founder & Director, Digital Louisiana
Harris Johnson, P.E., Manager of Information Technology Outreach, Georgia Tech
Economic Development Institute

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	**Implementation Assets: Accessing State-Federal Resources**

Moderator: Alan Branson, Vice President, Business Development,
Enterprise Corporation of the Delta

Panel: John Edwards, State Director, USDA Rural Development
Jerry Foster, Regional Counsel, Economic Development
Administration

12:30 – 2:00 PM	**Lunch Program**

**The TEAM DELTA Project: Products, Processes,
and Future Visions**

Moderator: Dr. John Ahlen, Arkansas Science & Technology Authority

Panel: Sylvia Goldman, Project Director, Institute for Technology
Development, Inc.
Ann Guissinger, Vice President, Louisiana Partnership for
Technology & Innovation
Garrett Martin, Senior Program Officer, Enterprise Corporation
of the Delta

2:00 – 2:15 PM	**Break**
2:15 – 3:00 PM	**Community Technology Strategy: Making It Happen**

Moderator: Trent Williams, Principal, Regional Technology Strategies

Panelists: Stanley Goldsmith, Program Manager, Virginia's Region 2000
Dr. Louis Tornatzky, Fellow, Southern Technology Council

3:30 – 4:30 PM	**Bringing It All Back Home**

Dr. Angeline Godwin Dvorak, Mississippi Technology, Inc./Institute for
Technology Development, Inc.

4:30 PM	**Adjourn**